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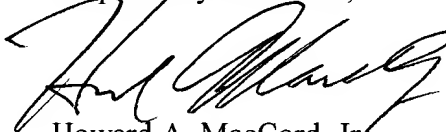
The final Office Action of December 9, 2003, rejected claim 28 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. The Office Action further indicated claim 28 as indefinite in that the copy provided is partly unreadable, i.e. the specific compound encompassed by said claim cannot be determined.

A Request for Clarification was express mailed to the Patent and Trademark Office on December 15, 2003 with a full copy of a previously faxed Amendment that canceled claims 1-10 and 13-26; amended claims 11, 12 and 27; and continued to show claim 28 as originally written. The RCE requests entry of that paper.

The Advisory Action of January 22, 2004, indicated the allowability of formerly rejected claims 11, 12 and 27 and continued to reject claim 28.

Applicant has canceled claim 28 by this paper, so this application is now in condition for immediate allowance. Same is earnestly requested. Should the examiner have any further matters of concern, Applicant invites the Examiner to telephone the undersigned for expeditious response.

Respectfully submitted,



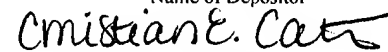
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